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LAWRENCE MAYOR.

*Com. Concil. tent. Vicesimo septimo die Januarii ,
Anno Dom. 1664. Annoque Regni Regis CAROLI
Secundi nunc Angliae , &c. Decimo sexto.*

THe Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, signifying unto this Court, that several Complaints have been made to the Court of Aldermen, of the late Raising of the Prizes, and abuses used in the Measure and Weight of Coals; And that His Majesty hath also taken notice thereof to his Lordship, and signified His Pleasure, That some speedy course be taken for remedy therein. And that several Judges of the Land, and other great Personages have discoursed and given advice to his Lordship to like purpose.

And further, That a Committee of the Court of Aldermen, appointed upon this occasion, have (upon a diligent inquiry into the causes of the said Complaints) represented the same, together with some means for remedy thereof, in a Report to the said Court of Aldermen; which upon desire of this Court, was now Read for their better Information.

It is therefore thought fit and Ordered, That the said Committee of the Court of Aldermen, namely, Sir William Turner, Sir Richard Rives, Mr. Alderman Hooker, Mr. Alderman Thomas Bonsey, together with Sir William Bateman, Sir Arthur Ingram, Mr. Deputy Nevill, Mr. Deputy Fluellin, Sir Thomas Chamberlain, Mr. Penning, Coll. Cleggatt, and Mr. Deputy Canham, or any two of the said Aldermen, and four of the said

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Commoners; shall take further consideration of the said Complaints and Abuses, and of the most speedy and effectual means to remedy the same, for the general good of His Majesties Subjects, in and about this City, and parts adjacent, and vindication of the Government and good Order of the same City from such Aspertions and prejudice, as (by relation) are imputed to it, by occasion of the said Complaints and Abuses; And certify unto this Court in writing under their Hands, how they find the same, and their Opinions therein; and *Richard Hinde* to warn and attend them.



LAWRENCE MAYOR.

Com. Concil. tent. Decimo quarto die Februarii, Anno Dom. 1664. Anno Regni Regis CAROLI nunc Angliae, &c. Decimo septimo.

THIS Day the Committee appointed by late Order of this Court, to consider of several Abuses complained to be committed by the *wood-mongers*, in and about the Price, Measure, and Weight of Coals, &c. And of Remedies for the same, did deliver into this Court a Report in Writing under their Hands, how they find the same, and their Opinions; the tenor whereof is as followeth, *viz.*

To the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor,
the Right Worshipful the Aldermen his
Brethren, and Commons of the City of
London, in Common-Council assembled.

WHereas by a late Order of this Honourable Court,
intimating the Complaints lately made to your
good Lordship, and the Court of Aldermen, of
the excessive Prizes and Deceits used in the Mea-
sure and weight of Coals; and that His Majesty had taken
notice thereof, and signified his pleasure for some speedy course
to remedy the same; also that several of the Judges and
other great Personages had discoursed thereof, and given ad-
vice to your Lordship to like purpose, which had occasioned an
inquiry to be made into the causes of the said complaints, by a
Committee therefore appointed by your Lordship, and the said
Court of Aldermen; whose Report thereof, was then read in
this Court for their better information, and this Court was
pleased thereupon to refer it unto us, whose Names are sub-
scribed, to take further consideration of the said Matters,
and of the most speedy and effectual Means to redress the
same. Now We, the said Committees, do humbly certifie,
that we have heard and received the Evidence and Informa-
tion offered by diverse knowing and credible Persons, touching
the said Complaints and Abuses, and (besides that many of the
particulars are notorious and obvious to common Experience)
do find upon the said Informations, which the Parties
respectively do offer to confirm by their Oaths, That the Citi-
zens and Inhabitants of London, and Parts adjacent, do
lye under an intollerable grievance in the Cases above men-
tioned, brought upon them by the Wood-mongers, as by a

Summary Account of their Practices and Abuses contained in the ensuing particulars, more plainly may appear.

And first, Touching the Price of Sea-Coals, it appears, that the same is, and is used and subject to be raised by the Wood-mongers, at their own pleasure, and that by these several means and practices, especially, First, the Wood-mongers pretending to the sole Trade of retailing Coals, and aiming to compass the same, and to exclude all others, have, in order to that end, First obtained diverse, and do take all opportunities to obtain more of the wharfs in and about the City, into their own hands, and do convert so many as can be spared from their own occasions, to other uses, binding their Tenants under strict Covenants and Limitations, not to employ the same, or but very sparingly, for the Landing or Selling of Coals, That by depriving of others, they only may have those advantages of Landing, Storing, and Selling of that and all other Fuel.

Secondly, where they cannot obtain possession of any other Fuel-wharfs in their way, they deal with the Owners to change the same to other uses.

Thirdly, They disturb and hinder the Coal-Ships from Unlading at Smarts Key, (as was formerly used) and other known and convenient Keys and Places, so to compel them to their own wharfs, whereby the Citizens and others, are disappointed of Buying there at the first hand, and by the good Measure of the Coal-Meeters, and of the ready carriage they were wont to have from those places.

Fourthly, They labour to suppress all others that deal in Retailing of Coals, denying them for Engrossers, and imposing upon the easier and meaner sort, Arbitrary Fines, and prosecuting others at Law, denying to all the benefit of Carr-rooms, or the use of the Town Carrs to serve their Customers, and punishing the Carr-men with penalties and troubles, and seizure of their Carrs, if they discover them in such Employment,

ployment, so to constrain them to keep up their stores to their loss, and the publick damage, or to put them off to the Wood-mongers upon their own terms, for their better advantage of raising the Price, when they have engrossed the whole Store in their own hands. Whereas indeed, the Buying and Selling of Coals, is but an accident to the Wood-mongers Trade, and free for all men to use as themselves, and to encourage the multiplicity of Traders in Victual and Fuel, (especially, that are not united into one Society and Combination) hath been ever held a most certain means to keep down the Price of those Provisions, and at this time, we find those other Retailers willing to Sell by the just Measures, and at much lower Rates than the Wood-mongers do, if they could be supplied with Carrs to serve out their Coals to the Buyers.

Fifthly, They generally obstruct their own Apprentices, after their times are expired, from Setting up, by disappointing them of wharfs, and denying them Carr-rooms, as a further means to continue the Trade Engrossed in a few hands.

Sixthly, They deny their own, nor will suffer, but in all they can, discourage and hinder the Town Carrs from carrying home the Coals of private Persons, which are not bought of themselves, thereby hindring all persons of supplies from the Ships at the first hand, where they would receive much better Measure, besides the advantage of the Ingrain, and at far easier Prizes than are afforded by the Wood-mongers; so that if these restraints be put upon the Trade by the Wood-mongers, for their own private Gain, in a time of so vast increase of Houses and Inhabitants, within this City, and parts adjacent, an advance of the Price of Sea-Coals must necessarily ensue.

Secondly, The Wood-mongers having by the means before mentioned, so far prevailed, to obstruct the Dealing of all others,

others, and to obtain unto their own hands the sole Trade of Coals, have used of late by confederacy (after they have competently stored themselves) to with-draw and absent from the City several dayes, upon arrival of the Summer Coal-Fleet, retarding the same at dead Markets, in design to disappoint a Voyage, and so upon pretence and colour of scarcity, to raise the Price afterwards at their own will. Whereas, If they gave the wonted quick dispatch or discharge of such Fleets, the same might, (as is credibly informed) make ofner returns for the store and supply of the City.

Thirdly, They agree (as may best serve their turns) in Summer time, to lay aside a Carr-room or more a peece, to promote a Winter Trade, by restraining and disabling themselves to serve out their Fuel in the Summer and cheapest time, that by pretence of over-much Work, they may deferr their Customers to the later and dearer Seasons of the Year; and if any happen to make timely and cheaper contracts, they often force them, notwithstanding, to pay the Rates of the later or dearer Season, which themselves have chose for delivery of the Coals.

Fourthly, It hath been further observed of the Wood-mongers, upon their late raising the Price of Coals, that there-upon, they also raised and dispersed a Report and rumour, that a price was about to be set by the Magistracy and Authority of this City, upon Sea-Coals, thereby to discourage and hinder the bringing in of any more Coals, till they had uttered their own Stores at the present dear or dearer Rates.

Secondly, Touching the Wood-mongers abuses in the Measure and Weight of Coals, the same are evidenced in the following particulars.

First, That they Buy by the just and Lawful Measures of this City, and Sell by the less and Unlawful Sacks, which are made by their own Order, Sized and Licensed for Twelve pence a Sett, at their Common-Hall, and enjoyed (with
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a prohibition of the Coal-Meters) to be used by all the Company, whereby, and by other Artifices, they make Twenty three, and Twenty four Chaldron of a Score. And if by the Coal-Meters means, or any omission, or unskilfulness of their own Servants, they are disappointed of those unjust advantages, they fall upon them with evil and reviling Language, as the Authors of some unusual and great injury to them.

Secondly, If any go about to Measure their said unlawful Sacks, (which generally want three or four Bushels in a Chaldron) the Carr-men, if they discover the Meters, will, to avoid them, drive away, and rather go far about, and carry back their Coals, than subject them to be Measured. And the Wood-mongers do give notice and an ill Character of such person in their Company, that all may beware or avoid to serve him with Coals for the future.

Thirdly, They practice alike, or greater deceit in the weight of Pitt Coals, which by some have been discovered to Sell under weight above Four hundred, and sometimes six hundred in a Tunn.

Fourthly, they allure by Compositions and deter by vexatious Actions, and Arrests, such as are imployed, or go about to prosecute any Wood-monger for deceit in the Weight or Measure of their Coals.

And no less are their abuses (as is likewise attested) in the Buying and Selling of Wood, which contrary to Law, and many good Acts of Common-Council, they usually for their greater gain, go down and deal for in the Country, allowing it to be Cut and made up under assize, conditioning to abate in Price for the same accordingly; insomuch, that the Billets which they Buy at Eleven or Twelve Shillings, they Sell again for Two and twenty Shillings a Thousand: whereas no Fire-Wood ought to be Bought by the Wood-mongers, till it be brought up to the City and viewed, and found to be of good assize, and the Price set thereon by the Lord Mayor, and that

it have lain upon the water in Winter Eight Hours, and in Summer Twelve hours, for any Citizen or Private Person to furnish for their own use.

It is further complained and very evident, that there being about Fifty of the Number of Carr-men of the Poorer sort, who had Carr-rooms, and were called Pensioners to the Company of Wood-mongers, the said Company designing to advance a Sum of Money for their common use upon the said poor Men, did propose to them either to take Twenty Pounds a peece, and resign their said Carr-rooms, or to give and pay so much to the said Company and retain them, and did thereupon inforce the said poor Men to raise and pay Twenty Pounds a peece, (amounting in all to a Thousand Pounds, or thereabouts) to continue the benefit of their said Carr-rooms, which many of them were very unable to do, being in want before, for the relief and livelihood of themselves and their Families.

Now, for remedy of the before mentioned Evils and Abuses of the Wood-mongers; and First, of inhancing the price of Sea-Coal, We think fit,

1. That the Act of Common-Council, made the Tenth of May, in the Year 1661. whereby the said Company are reinvested with the Government of Carrs, &c. and the Number limited to Four Hundred and twenty, and of them One hundred and forty assigned to the wharfs, for Carriage of Fuel, and by means of which Act, the Wood-mongers (as is conceived) do assume the power and advantages of those practices, be repealed, or so altered, that the whole Number of Carrs may be at liberty (as they were before) for the Carriage of Coals and other Fuel; And that it may not be in the Wood-mongers power to hinder, but that all that will may Buy, either for their own use, or to Sell again, and have free liberty to Land, Un-load, and Measure their Coals at any common Wharfs and Keys, or other convenient places, and Carts to carry them home at their own pleasure.

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Secondly, That there be some considerable stock of Coals, (by such means as this Court shall think fit) provided yearly, (as hath been formerly intended) at the cheapest, and sold out at the dearest Seasons of the Year, to keep down the Price upon any emergent occasion, especially for the help and relief of the Poor.

Thirdly, That when it is found expedient a Price be set upon Coals, according to the Custom of the City.

Secondly, To prevent the said deceits in false Measures, and Weight of Coals, We think fit,

First, That the Wood-mongers be not permitted to keep any Carrs to their wharfs, but that all be Street Carrs, and imployed for the Carriage of Fuel as for any other Work.

Secondly, That the Wood-mongers, and all other Traders on Sea-Coals, be strictly hold for time to come, not to send abroad any Coals Sold or Contracted for, in any Sacks, other than the Sea-Coal-Meters, and to carry along in their Carts a Lawful Sealed Busbel, Nineteen Inches in Breadth, and Seven Inches and a half in Depth, (and that like Sealed Busbells be kept in every Parish) for every Buyer that will, to Measure his own Coals as they are brought home, as in and by an Act of Common-Council, made the Seventh of September, 1632. and many former and other good Acts and Orders is more fully enjoyned and directed.

Thirdly, That for avoiding deceit in the Weight in Pit-Coals, every Buyer may use a Meter, who upon Request, is to attend to Weigh the Coals at the Buying, or bringing home of the same.

And lastly, To remedy the false Size and high Price of Wood, we conceive the same cannot be better effected, than by executing the Acts and Laws in force, which expose all Billets and Faggots under Size to be Seized, and Forfeited, and do forbid the Sale of any Fire-wood to the Wood-mongers and Retailers, till the same be brought to such Key as the Lord

Mayor shall appoint, and have lain upon the water Eight Hours in Winter, and Twelve in the Summer, for private Persons to furnish themselves, and that the Lord Mayor have set thereupon a Price, (as was heretofore used to be done) to be kept and observed under severe Penalties and Forfeitures.

And so We humbly submit the Premises to the better Judgement and Consideration of this Honourable Court, this 14th day of February, 1664.

Upon Reading whereof, as also of a Petition of the Master, Wardens, and Assistants of the said Company, and of some overtures touching the Surrendring up the Lease made to the said Company, and of the Government of Carrs and Carr-men within this City and Liberties; this Court doth defer their further proceedings thereupon till the said Company shall give their Answer touching the Surrendring up the said Lease.

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LAWRENCE MAYOR.

Com. Concil. tent. Decimo septimo die Februarii, Anno Dom. 1664. Anno Regni Regis CAROLI II. nunc Angliae, &c. Decimo septimo.

AT this Court, the Master and Wardens of the Company of *Wood-mongers* did surrender up the Lease made unto the said Company, under the Common Seal of this City, in the time of the Mayoralty of Sir *Richard Brown*, Knight and Baronet, rouching the Government of Carrs, Carr-men, and Carr-rooms, and the counterpart of the same Lease, Sealed to the City, was delivered up unto the Master and Wardens, and a Bond, under the Common Seal of the said Company, for the payment of One hundred and fifty Pounds *per annum* to the use of *Christs-Hospital*, for the term of Sixty and one Years in the same Lease contained, and lately remaining in the Chamber of *London*, not being to be found for the present, a Release of the same Bond under the Common Seal of this City was Read and Sealed in open Court, the tenor whereof followeth.

Whereas, the late Master, Wardens and Assistants of the Fellowship of *Wood-mongers, London*, have by their Obligation under the Common Seal of the said Corporation, bearing Date the Twenty third day of *July*, in the Thirteenth year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord *Charles the Second*, by the Grace of God of *England, Scotland, France, and Ineland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. Bound themselves and their Successors to the Mayor, Commonalty, and Citizens of the City of *London*, in the Sum or penalty of One Thousand Pounds, with condition

condition thereon Endorsed, for the true and sure Payment of the Sum of One hundred and fifty Pounds yearly, and every year during the term of Sixty one years, from the Twenty fourth day of *June* then last past, at two several Payments, by even and equal portions, that is to say, At the Feast of the Birth of our Lord, Seventy five Pounds, and at the Feast of *St. John Baptist*, Seventy five Pounds, or within 40 daies after each of the said Feast daies, to the Treasurer of *Christ-Hospital*, for the time being, for the maintenance of the poor Children therein harboured, as in and by the said Obligation and Condition, could the same be produced, more fully and plainly may appear.

Now know all men by these presents, That the Mayor, Commonalty, and Citizens of the City of *London*, for divers good causes and considerations hereunto moving, have remised, released, cleared, and quit-claimed, and by these Presents for them and their Successors, fully, clearly, and absolutely Remise, Release, and for ever quit-claim unto the Master, Wardens, and Assistants, of the Fellowship of *Wood-monjers*, and their Successors, the afore said Obligation and Condition thereof, and all and all manner of Actions, and Causes of Actions, Complaints, Process, Suits and Demands whatsoever, which the said Mayor, Commonalty, and Citizens, against the said Master, Wardens, and Assistants, or their Successors ever had, now have, or at any time hereafter may or might have, by reason or means of the said Obligations and Conditions thereof in any wise howsoever.

In witness whereof, The said Mayor, Commonalty, and Citizens, have caused their Common Seal to be put to these Presents, Dated the Seventeenth day of *February*, *Anno Dom.* One Thousand Six Hundred Sixty and Four, in the Seventeenth year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord,

Lord, *Charles the Second*, by the Grace of God of *England, Scotland, France, and Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c.

And it was Resolved that the thanks of this Court be returned to the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, and also to Sir *William Turner*, Knight and Alderman, and the rest of the Committee appointed by this Court, for the management of the aforesaid affair, for their great care and pains taken therein.

U Pon this Report, &c. The Government of the Carrs was taken from the Company of Wood-mongers; And by Act of Common-Council, bearing Date the Twenty first day of June, 1665. were placed in the President and Governors of Christ-Hospital, and by that Act amongst other things is as followeth.

And for the prevention of such Deceit hereafter, as divers Wood-mongers have Practised in the Sale and Measure of their Coals, It is Enacted, That all Sea-Coals hereafter to be Sold, or Uttered by Retail, by any Person or Persons whatsoever, shall be filled and brought home to the Buyers in the Sea-Coal-Meeters Sacks, or such other Sacks as contain the full Measure of the Sea-Coal-Meters Sacks, and are and shall be Marked by the Keeper of the Guild-Hall for the time being, according to an Order of the Court of Aldermen, made the Twenty fifth day of October, in the time of the Mayoralty of Sir Thomas Cambell, Knight, deceased, and carried by some Street Carr or Carrs, of Persons duly Licensed and Allowed as aforesaid, and bearing upon the same Carrs the Mark of the Red-Cross, for a Note of their Allowance, as hath anciently been accustomed.

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The Governours of Christ-Hospital, together with the Fellowship of Carr-Men, have been at great Charges in Suits of Law, to bring the said Wood-mongers or Retailers in Fuel to a compliance with the said Act of Common-Council; They with their Purves and Persons, have in all Courts opposed the same, some of them well knowing, that if the Carr-men should be permitted to carry Fuel, they should lose great sums of Money yearly, which they now get by the delivery of short Measure, and several of them have been indicted at Sessions for delivering sometimes two Bushels, and sometimes three Bushels short in a Load of Coals.

The Argument about this by Law in the Exchequer, and at the Kings-Bench-Bar have not been yet determined, by reason some few things should be added to them by Law, which the Governours do earnestly pray the Common-Council to do.

The Honourable House of Commons, January the 29th, 1673. Ordered, That a Bill should be prepared by a Committee then named, for the Regulating and Ascertaining the Measure of Coals, and Abuses in the Sale of wood.

The Sixteenth of February, 1673. The Committee Reports, They had prepared a Bill, and delivered it in, which was Read, and Ordered a second Reading.

The Twentyfourth of February, 1673. The Parliament was Prorogued, so that the Bill received no further debate at that time.

The Sixth of March, 167 $\frac{1}{2}$. His Majesty was Graciously pleased to send to the City this Letter following.

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TRufty and Well-beloved, We Greet you well; Whereas We are given to understand, That in this last Session of *Parliament*, by Order of the House of *Commons*, a Bill was prepared and Read, for the Regulating Abuses in the Measure of Coal and Wood, within that Our City of *London*, Borough of *Southwark*, Liberties of the Tower of *London*, *St. Katherine's*, and *East-Smithfield*, but the said Bill not having been passed into an Act, by reason of the Prorogation, and the said Abuses still continuing to the great Oppression and Grievance of Our good Subjects, We have thought fit hereby to recommend to you in an especial Manner, the Regulation thereof, and as well the putting in Execution all Orders already made, for and towards the Redressing all Abuses and Deceits of that kind, as the making such Orders as may totally prevent the same for the future; Wherein We cannot doubt of your

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particular Care, and so We bid you Farewel.
 Given at Our Court at *White-hall*, this Sixth day
 of *March*, 167 $\frac{3}{4}$. in the Twenty sixth year of
 Our Reign.

By His Majesties special Command,

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*To Our Trusty and Well-beloved Sir
 William Hooker, Knight, Lord
 Mayor of Our City of LONDON,
 and to the Aldermen and Common-
 Council of that Our City.*

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HOOKER MAYOR.

Com. Concil. tent. in Camera Guild-hall Civit.
 Lond. die Martis decimo nono die Maii, Anno
 Dom. 1674. Annoque Regni Regis Caroli
 Secundi &c. viceffimo sexto.

AT this Court was Presented and Read His Majesties Letter, directed to this Court, Dated at White-hall, the Sixth day of March, last past, setting forth, That His Majesty had been given to understand, that in the last Session of Parliament, by Order of the House of Commons, a Bill was prepared and read for the regulating the abuses in the Measures of Coals and Wood within this City, Borough of Southwark, Liberties of the Tower of London, St. Katherine's, and East-Smithfield; but the said Bill, not passing into an Act, by reason of the Prorogation, and the same abuses still continuing, to the great oppression and grievance of His Majesties Subjects: Therefore His Majesty was Graciously pleased by his said Letter, to recommend to this Court in especial manner the regulating thereof: And as well the putting in execution all Orders already made, for and towards the redressing all Abuses and Deceits of that kind, as the making such Orders as may totally prevent the same for the future; This Court in Obedience to the said Command, doth nominate and appoint Sir John Frederick, Sir William Turner, Sir Richard Ford, Sir John Moore, Knights Aldermen, Sir Robert Jeoffories, and Sir Thomas Player, Knights, William Fluellin Esq; Mr. Pilkington, Mr. Tompson, Major Gunston, Mr. Short, and Mr. Turgis
 Commoners,

Commoners, or any Two of the said Aldermen, and Four of the said Commoners, to be a Committee, forthwith to meet and consult what is fit to be done, for redressing the same Abuses, and Report their Opinions therein to this Court, and William Bird to warn and Attend them.

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PEAKE MAYOR.

Martis 28. die *April*. 1668. Annoque
Regni Regis CAROLI Secundi
Angliæ, &c. XX.

THis day the President and Governours of Christs-Hospital, London, to whom the Rule, Oversight and Government of Carrs, Carts, Carr-rooms, Carters and Carmen, within the City of London, and Liberties thereof, is committed by Act of Common-Council, made the One and twentieth day of June, One Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Five, in the Seventeenth Year of His Majesties Reign, exhibited into this Court a Book of Orders, Rules, Directions, and Limitations, devised for the better Regulation of the said Carrs, Carts, Carters, and Carr-men, Humbly submitting the same to be allowed and confirmed by this Court, according to the said Act of Common-Council, and the Custom of this City; whereupon the said Orders, Rules, Directions, and Limitations were here openly and deliberately read, and advisedly and maturely considered, and after some alterations and amendments therein made, were well liked, ratified and confirmed, and Ordered to be observed, executed and performed by all Persons concerned in all Points, and in all times hereafter, until this Court, or the Common-Council of this City shall see cause to Order or Direct any thing to the contrary thereof, or of any Articles or Clauses therein contained.

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And it is further Ordered, *That the said President and Governours may as they see cause, use and publish the said Orders, Rules, Directions, and Limitations, under the Title, and in manner and form following; That is to say,*

ORDERS, RULES, DIRECTIONS, and LIMITATIONS,

Made by the Right Honourable Sir *William Peake*, Knight, Lord Mayor of the City of *London*, and the Right Worshipful the Aldermen his Brethren, at a Court held in the Chamber of the *Guild-Hall, London*, on *Tuesday*, the Eight and Twentieth day of *April*, One Thousand Six Hundred Sixty and Eight, in the Twentieth Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord King *Charles* the Second, &c. for the further Direction of the President and Governours of *Christ's-Hospital, London*, in the Rule, Oversight, and Government of the Carrs, Carts, Carters, and Carmen, within the City of *London*, and Liberties thereof, and for the better Government and Ordering of the said Carrs, Carts, Carters, and Carmen, within the said City of *London*, in pursuance of an Act of *Common-Council*, held in the Chamber of the *Guild-hall* of the said City,

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the One and Twentieth day of June, One Thousand Six Hundred Sixty and Five, and in the Seventeenth Year of His said Majesties Reign.

W Hereas heretofore (that is to say) in the Third Year of the Reign of Our late Sovereign Lord King James, of England, &c. (and of Scotland, the Nine and Thirtieth) the Carr-Men of London were Incorporated with the Company of Wood-mongers, London, by His said Highness Letters Patents, bearing date the Nine and Twentieth day of August, in the Years aforesaid, since which time (to wit) the Fifth day of December, in the Nineteenth Year of the Reign of Our now Sovereign Lord King Charles the Second, the Master and Wardens of the said Company of Wood-mongers, by their Writing under their Common Seal, and by them acknowledged in Chancery, did surrender to Our now Sovereign Lord the King the said Letters Patents, and by means thereof, are Disincorporated, by reason whereof, the said Carr-men have humbly besought this Court, that they may be a Fellowship, or Fraternity, as anciently, and such Orders made by this Court for the better Regulating and Ordering the several Members of the said Fellowship, as should be thought expedient.

This Court well weighing the desire of the said Carr-men, and considering, that the Mayor, and Commonalty, and Citizens of this City, time out of mind, have had the right of Ordering and disposing of Carrs, Carts, Carr-rooms, Carters, and Carr-men, and of all other person or persons whatsoever, Working any Carr or Carts within the City of London and Liberties thereof; And in pursuance thereof, by the said Act of Common Council, made the One and twen-

tieth day of June, One Thousand Six Hundred Sixty and Five, have placed the Rule, Oversight, and Government of them, in the President and Governours of Christ-Hospital, London, to Order them according to the Rules, Directions, and Provisions in the said Act mentioned, and according to such other Orders, Rules, Directions, and Limitations, as the said Common Council or this Court, upon consideration, should make and provide in that behalf. And further considering, that the said Act doth not sufficiently provide for the Ordering and Regulating such Persons as should be Members of the said Fellowship in their labours,

Have therefore thought it fit and necessary, to declare how and in what manner the said Carr-men shall be governed for the future, under the said President and Governours, and what Orders and Rules they shall put in execution amongst themselves.

And First, This Court doth desire the said President, or Governours, strictly to observe, and effectually to put in execution all such Orders, Rules, Directions, and Limitations, as are mentioned and contained in the said Act of Common Council, of the One and Twentieth of June, One Thousand Six Hundred Sixty and Five, which concerneth the Rule, Oversight, and Government of the said Carr-men, and other Persons, working Carrs, and Carts, in the said Act of Common-Council mentioned.

Secondly, That the said President or Governours strictly observe and effectually put in Execution all the Orders, Rules, Directions, and Limitations, mentioned in an Order of the General Quarter Sessions, holden at Justice-Hall in the Old Bayley, the Sixteenth day of January, in the Eighteenth Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord King Charles the Second, &c. which Order of Sessions doth not only appoint what Rates the said Carr-men shall receive, but doth give further Directions how the said Carr-men shall be Governed

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ned by the said President or Governours for the future. And the said President or Governours, are not only desired to observe the said Act of Common-Council, and Order of Sessions, and the Orders hereafter following, but also all other Acts of Common-Council, Orders of this Court and Court of Sessions, as shall hereafter be made concerning the said Carr-men.

Thirdly, The said President or Governours are desired by this Court, to take care, that every Cart allowed by them to work within the City of London, and the Liberties thereof, contain in length between the Tugg-hole and the Fore-Ear breadth Six Foot and Four Inches of Assize and no more, and in breadth, between the two Raves in the Body of the said Cart, four Foot of Assize, and no more; and in length, from the Fore-Ear breadth to the end of the Cart, seven Foot and two Inches of Assize, and no more; And if any Carr shall be found of greater Length or Breadth, that then the same Carr, may be taken up by the said President or Governours, or their Officer or Officers, appointed for that purpose, and be sent to the New Store-Yard.

Fourthly, The said President or Governours are desired to take care that all Carr-men be Ordered with their empty Carrs to stand in convenient places of this City, to be ready for Merchants and all other Persons that shall have occasions to use them. And if any Carr-man shall not observe the Rule that shall be made by the said President or Governours, for their Standings in the Streets for Merchants and others, every Carr-man so offending, shall for the first Offence, pay Two Shillings and Six pence, for the second Offence Five Shillings, and for his third, and every other Offence, Ten Shillings; And for refusal or not payment of any of the said Fines, they to be by the said President or Governours discharged from working any Carr or Cart within the City of London, and Liberties thereof.

Fifthly;

Fifthly, That the said President or Governours shall take care, that no Carr-man leave his Carr in the Streets, Lanes, or Common Passages of this City or Liberties thereof by Night, whereby any person or persons may take harm, upon pain of Forfeiting for every time he or they so leave his Carr in the Streets by Night, the sum of Five Shillings, besides recompence to the party as shall sustain hurt or damage thereby.

Sixthly, That the said President or Governours take care, that no Carr within this City be heard to creak, or pipe for dryness, or want of Greasing in the Nave, and every Owner of such Carr as shall be found so to do, shall Forfeit and Pay for every day that his Carr shall be observed to creak, or pipe; the sum of Two Shillings.

Seventhly, That the said President or Governours take care that no Carr-man, within this City or Liberties thereof use or put into his Carr for the carriage of any Merchandise whatsoever, any more Horses, than One at one time, except it be up the Hill, or with Timber or Stone that cannot be divided, upon pain of Forfeiting for every Offence, Two Shillings.

Eighthly, That the said President or Governours take care, that no person or persons shall take up or carry greater Loads than was the ancient custom or practice to do, which ancient custom or practice shall be declared by the said President or Governours to all the Carr-men, upon pain, that every person that shall so do, shall Forfeit and pay the sum of Five Shillings for the first Offence, the second Offence Ten Shillings, and for the third offence, shall be disabled from further working a Carr, within the City of London, and Liberties thereof.

Ninthly, That the said President or Governours take care that no Carr-man, his Journey-man, or Servant ride upon his Carr, or drives his Horse a Trot in the Street, or otherwise, in a more speedy course or pace than is usual, upon pain of

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Forfeiting for every Offence herein, Two Shillings.

Tenthly, That the said President, or Governours take care, that every Carr-man lead his Horse by the Head, with an Horse Halter of three Foot and no longer, with a special regard alwayes before him as behind him, as well for Children as for Aged people; and if he shall suffer his Horse to go in the Streets without leading him, as aforesaid, for every time he shall so offend, he shall forfeit and pay Two Shillings.

Eleventhly, That the said President, or Governours take care, that no Carr-man within this City and Liberties thereof, shall appoint any Servant, or Journeyman to go with any Carr, or Cart, before he be presented to them the said President, or Governours, and allowed by them, which Servant or Journeyman shall be of the age of Eighteen Years, at the least; and whatsoever Carr-man shall hereafter entertain and imploy as a Carr-man, in guiding of a Carr, any such Servant the full time of six weeks before he be presented to the said President or Governours, then he shall forfeit and pay for every Week that he shall so entertain and keep him before such presentment, the sum of Five Shillings, and that all the now Servants of Carr-men shall appear before the said President or Governours with their Indentures, to be Allowed and Entered in the Books of the said Governours, for which Entrance to pay Six Pence.

Twelfthly, Further, that if any Master Carr-man, or any other, using or enjoying a Carr within this City and Liberties thereof, shall put away, or sett over his Servant or Servants so presented to the said President or Governours, or shall bargain, or sett over any year or years of any such Servant or Servants, or any other person or persons, before such Carr-man hath first obtained and gotten the good will and consent of the President or Governours aforesaid for the time being, so to do, that it may appear by their Register Book kept by the said President or Governours, of the honest and lawful departure,
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putting away; or setting over of every such Servant or Servants, that then be the said Master Carr-man shall for every Offence to the contrary, pay Six Shillings and Eight Pence.

Thirteenthly, Further, that the said President or Governours take care, that no Carr-man within the City of London and Liberties thereof, have more than one Apprentice at one time, and one Journeyman; and if it shall appear to the said President or Governours, that the said Carr-man hath any more than one Apprentice and Journeyman, then the said Carr-man to lose his admittance of working any Carr or Cart within London, and the Liberties thereof.

Fourteenthly, Further, the said President or Governours are desired, that when any Servant or Journeyman is presented to them to be allowed, and approved to work a Carr or Cart in London, and the Liberties thereof, then they to declare to the said Servant or Journeyman, that the sole disposing of all CARRS to work, is in the Mayor, and Commonalty, and Citizens of London, and in such as claim by, from, or under them, and that he cannot have any Cart to work or Hire, till one falls void, although he hath served the term of Seven Years Apprentisbip.

Fifteenthly, Further, the said President or Governours are desired to take care, that no such Servant or Servants, do at any time hereafter, mis-behave him or themselves in the Street, and if any be found so to do, then they to inflict such Punishment upon such Servants for such their Mis-behaviours, as in their discretion shall be thought fit; And if any Free-Carr-man shall mis-behave himself in the Streets, and proof thereof be made before the said President or Governours, he the said Free-man, shall for his first Offence, pay Ten Shillings, and for his second Offence Twenty Shillings, and for his third Offence Forty Shillings; And for refusal of not paying of any of the said Fines, to be discharged from working any Carr within the City of London, and Liberties thereof.

Sixteenthly,

Sixteenthly, *The said President and Governours are desired not to admit any Person or Persons to work a Carr within the City of London and Liberties thereof to their own use, other then such as have served Seven years Apprentisship to the calling, and hath a good testimony of his honest life and conversation.*

Seventeenthly, *And further the said President or Governours are desired by this Court, To call all such Carr-men before them as they shall admit or allow of, four times in every year yearly, or as often as they shall think fit; and to cause all the Orders that are now made, or shall hereafter be made for the Rule, Oversight, and Government of the said Carrmen to be openly read to them. And if any Carr-man shall refuse at any time or times to appear upon the Summons of the said President or Governours, by any of the four Street-men, or other Officers of the said President or Governours then they to lay such Fine, Penalty, or Suspension, upon every such Carr-man so offending, as in their discretion shall be thought most fit.*

All which Orders before mentioned shall be put in Execution by the President or Governours of the said Hospital: And by no other Person or Persons whatsoever. And all the Fines arising by breach of the said Ordinances, be applyed viz. One Moyety to the relief of the poor Children harboured in the said Christs-Hospital: And the other Moyety to the Use of the Fellowship or Brotherhood of Carr-men.

Now followeth the ORDERS for the FELLOWSHIP.

First, *That all manner of Persons, who now are, or hereafter shall be duly allowed by the said President or Governours of the said Hospital, to work any Carr or Carts within*

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the City of London, and Liberties thereof, shall be a Fellowship, and Fraternity by the name of the Carr-men of the City of London, to put in execution these Orders following, and no other. VIZ.

Third to be chosen Wardens yearly. Secondly, That there shall be Three of the said Fellowship, in manner and form following, in these Presents hereunder mentioned, chosen and named, which shall be, and be called the Wardens of the said Fellowship of Carr-men of London. And that it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Members of the said Brotherhood or Fellowship, within some convenient time, to Choose and Elect out of themselves, Three able and sufficient Persons, using the Occupation of a Carr-man, to be Wardens of the said Brotherhood or Fellowship, the space of one whole year then next following, and from thence until a New Election be made. And that the same Three Persons so Chosen to be Wardens, shall within convenient time after their said Election be presented, by a convenient number of the said Brotherhood, in the Uter Court holden before the Lord Mayor, and Aldermen of the said City, to be Sworn for the true execution of such things as shall appertain unto their Office, according to the good Rules and Ordinances to them, to be allowed and approved by the same Court.

Wardens to call Twelve Assistants. And that it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Wardens so Sworn as aforesaid, to call unto their Assistance, the number of Twenty of the Members of the said Fellowship, who shall be, and be called the Assistants of the said Fellowship.

Rotation of Wardens Thirdly, That John Hill, William Turner and John Earle be the Three first Wardens of the said Fellowship or Fraternity, to continue for one whole year; and that William Standley, John Standford, James Rough-head, John Fox, Robert Hardy, Edward Oxlad, Anthony Brown, Isaac Preston, John Clark, Thomas Haynes, Thomas Smith, Thomas Hooker, John Cue, James Maw, Edward

Edward Benson, John Caines, Alexander Sheppard, Edward Tucker, Edward Lucar and John Chitwel, shall be first Assistants of the said Fellowship or Fraternity.

Fourthly, That the old Wardens and Assistants of the said Brotherhood, may lawfully between the five and twentieth Day of March, and the four and twentieth Day of June in every year then next following, assemble themselves together in some convenient place, by them to be provided, within the City of London, and there to choose and elect of themselves out of the said Assistants of the same Brotherhood, Three able men that use the said Occupation, to be Wardens of the said Brotherhood for one whole year then next following, and so forth until Three others shall be elected and sworn into the said Office. And the same Three Wardens so chosen, within Twenty dayes then next following after their said Election, shall be sworn in the said Court to be holden in the said Utter Chamber of Guild-Hall, before the Lord Mayor and Aldermen for the time being, truly to do and execute such things as shall appertain and belong to their Office, according to the good Rules and Ordinances to them to be allowed and approved by the same Court. And that if the said Wardens, being thus Elected and Sworn, happen to die within the said Year that they should stand Wardens, That then the Members of the said Brotherhood, viz. the said Wardens surviving, and the Assistants of the Brotherhood, may chuse so many more of the same Occupation, to supply and serve in stead and place of him or them so deceased, for the residue of the said Year, in form aforesaid. And in case any such person or persons refuse to hold the said place of a warden, so chosen, the same person or persons so refusing, shall pay for a Fine, three Pounds, to be employed to the use of the said Fellowship or Brotherhood.

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 Fifthly, That within one Month next after the chusing of the new Wardens, at the end of every Year in form aforesaid, the old Wardens which occupied and stood in the Office, in the Year then next preceding, shall make and yield up their Accompts to the Wardens then chosen, and to three or four other persons of the said Brotherhood, such as the said new Wardens shall appoint to take their Accompts; and shall truly answer, pay and deliver unto the said new Wardens, to the use of the same Brotherhood, all that which shall be found to remain in their hands upon that Accompt, upon pain of five pounds to be paid to the use of the said Fellowship. And if the said Accompt be behind, and not given up, and payment of what shall be found to remain in their hands, made as aforesaid, That the old Wardens so failing (except they have a reasonable and lawful excuse) shall pay for every Month, so long as their Accompts are not given up, and satisfaction made within one Month after the chusing of the new Wardens, the Sum of five Pounds over and above the aforesaid penalty of five Pounds for failure of the first Month, to be employed as aforesaid.

Clerk and Beadle
 Sixthly, That the said Wardens and Assistants of the said Brotherhood or Fellowship, may have, chuse or ordain one meet person, fit and able, to be their Clerk; and one other fit person, or more than one, to be their Beadle or Beadles, as their common Officers, to make Summons in the name of the Wardens for the time being; and to execute other the lawful Precepts and Commandments of the said Fellowship, as the Case shall require; the same Clerk and Beadle or Beadles to have such Salary and Wages as the old Wardens and Brotherhood for the time being, shall think fit, and allow unto them; to be paid quarterly every Year. The same Beadle or Beadles to be of the Occupation aforesaid: And that it shall be lawful for the said Wardens for the time being, to Levy, Collect and Receive of the Members

of the said Brotherhood, a competent Sum of Money to be by them agreed upon, by the name of Quarteridge, towards the Charges of the said Brotherhood, as in other Fellowships in this City is used; so as the same Quarteridge exceeds not Twelve pence a Quarter for any one person. Quarbridge
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Seventhly, That as often as any person of the said Brotherhood or Fellowship, hereafter shall be duly summoned by the Beadle of the said Society, to appear before the Wardens of the said Fellowship for the time being, at a certain hour assigned, and appeareth not at the time and place appointed, according to their Summons, That the said person so summoned, making default (unless he have some reasonable and lawful excuse) shall pay to the use of the said Fellowship, for a Fine, such a Sum of Money as the said Wardens for the time being, shall appoint, not exceeding two Shillings and sixpence. I should for
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Eighthly, That if any person, being a man of the same Fellowship, shall at any time hereafter, use, or give any evil, opprobrious or reviling Language in the Street, or elsewhere, to any other Free-man of the same Fellowship, that then the person so offending, shall pay to the use of the said Brotherhood, the Sum of five shillings. And if any Apprentice, Servant to any of the said Fellowship, shall offend in such wise, That then the same Apprentice or Servant shall be punished by the Order and Discretions of the Wardens of the said Company for the time being. Cannan a
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Ninthly, That if any Free-man of the said Fellowship, shall strike, or fight with any of the said Fellowship, that then he shall forfeit for every such Offence, Ten Shillings, to be paid to the use of the said Fellowship: And every Apprentice guilty of the like Offence, shall be punished at the discretion of the Wardens, as aforesaid. But if any Free-man of the said Fellowship, Journey-man or Servant, shall give evil, opprobrious or reviling Language in the Streets, or elsewhere, Appd: for sum
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to any person whatsoever, not free of the said Fellowship, or strike, or fight with any such person, the said Brotherhood shall have nothing to do therein; but the said Journeyman or Servant shall be punished by the Order and Discretion of the President or Governors of Christ's Hospital.

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Tenthly, That for the preservation of Unanimity and Brotherly Love amongst the said Brotherhood, no person of the said Fellowship whatsoever shall go to Suit of Law with any other Member of the same, for any Cause or Difference whatsoever, until he hath first acquainted the Wardens of the said Company for the time being, therewith; and obtained License of them so to do. And if any of the said Fellowship shall at any time offend herein, he shall forfeit and pay to the use of the said Fellowship the Sum of Forty Shillings.

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Eleventhly, That if any person of the said Fellowship shall happen to forfeit any Sum or Sums of Money for any thing in these Orders, or any of them comprised, and then the same person refuse and deny to pay the same Money, it being two several times demanded, if the party offending be of ability, then the Wardens and Assistants of the said Fellowship shall complain to the Lord Mayor for the time being, and the person so offending is to be punished after the discretion of the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen.

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Twelfthly, That the Wardens of the said Fellowship for the time being, shall not permit or suffer any Apprentice to be bound by them to any Free-man using the said Occupation, until he do produce a Testimonial of Allowance from the said President or Governours, or whom they shall appoint.

Every person
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Thirteenthly, That every person of the said Brotherhood, within two Months after he taketh unto him any Apprentice, and hath the said Testimonial of Allowance from the said President or Governours, or whom they shall appoint, shall present the same Apprentice to the Wardens of the said Fellowship for the time being, and shall then pay unto the

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Common Box of the said Fellowship, for the presenting of every such Apprentice the Sum of Twelve pence, and for the Indenture Eighteen pence: And that none of the said Brotherhood or Fellowship shall at any time hereafter, take an Apprentice for any shorter or lesser time than Seven Years: And that such Apprentice at the end of the said Term, having truly served his said Term, shall be made free by his said Master: And that such Apprentice before his admittance into the Freedom of this City, shall be presented again unto the Wardens of the said Fellowship for the time being, and there before them, shall subscribe a Note whereby he shall undertake to the Three Wardens to be contributory to all manner of Charges belonging to the said Brotherhood to his power, and pay to the said Brotherhood for his admittance into the Brotherhood, Six Shillings and Eight pence, and to the Clerk Two Shillings and Six pence, 12. and unto the Beadle Twelve pence.

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The Oath of every Person at his first Admittance into the Brotherhood or Fellowship of CARR-MEN of the City of London; To be Administred by the Wardens and Assistants of the said Fellowship or Brotherhood for the time being.

You shall Swear, You shall be true to our Sovereign Lord the King, and His Successors; You shall be obedient to the President or Governours of Christ's Hospital, and to such in whom the City shall here- *Oath of a
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hereafter place the Government of Carrs, by the Act of Common-Council, and to the Wardens for the time present. You shall not discover the lawful Counsel of this Fraternity. You shall not take a foreign man into your Service, but only such as use the occupation of a Carr-man, or else an Apprentice duly bound without fraud; At the beginning of their Terms or before, you shall bring and present them before the Wardens of the said Fellowship for the time being, and here have the Indentures to be made, and every such Apprentice to be Inrolled within the first Year, as the Custom is. You shall not entice or withdraw any mans Servant of this Society, until that reasonable Departing be made with his said Master.

These, and all other good Rules made, and to be made not reversed; You Shall keep so near as God give you Grace.

So help you God, &c.

Fourteenthly, That no person being made a Free-man of the said Brotherhood, shall take an Apprentice to be bound unto him until he hath been a Free-man by the space of four years (unless in case of Lameness and Sickness, and where a Journeyman of the said Society is not to be had; and then the same to be with License of the President or Governours of Christ's Hospital, and Wardens of the said Fellowship for the time being) and after the expiration of the said four years, then to take only one Apprentice and no more.

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neglect to put Wardens of the said Brotherhood or Fellowship (which shall
stand and occupy that Room) shall neglect to put in execution,
and duty to observe these Orders and Rules in this Book to be
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cause the same Ordinances to be read twice a Year in some convenient place, to all the Fraternity and Brotherhood; that then the said Wardens shall pay Twenty Shillings for a Fine in that behalf to the use of the said Brotherhood.

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And this Court doth Direct and Order, That Mr. Chamberlain shall take notice of the said Carr-men as a Fellowship and Brotherhood of this City, and Enroll and make Free their Apprentices, according to the Intent and Meaning of the said Ordinance.

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The General Quarter-Sessions have from time to time set Rates for the Carriage of all Commodities within the City of London and Liberties thereof, and added some other Rules to be observed by the Governours of Christs-Hospital, and Fellowship of Carr-men, &c. as for instance :

Ad General' Quarterial' Session' Pacis Dom. Regis tent. pro Civitat' London, &c.

WHereas daily Complaints are made by Merchants and other Citizens and Inhabitants within the City of London and the Liberties thereof, of the excessive Rates demanded and received by Carr-men, above what is reasonable and hath been limited and appointed for Carriages within this City and Liberties, and upon due consideration had, as well of former times as of the present, wherein several Materials of necessary and principal use to the Carr-men are risen and consequently require some increase of Rates heretofore set for their Labour and Carriage. Now the said Justices of Peace here assembled respecting the times and other circumstances necessary to be considered, do, by authority and virtue of the Statute in this case made and provided, order, limit, rate and appoint the wages for Carr-men within the City of London and Liberties thereof, to be as hereafter followeth.

First, That all Carr-men trading or working with Carrs in
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the City of London and Liberties thereof shall and may demand and take for every Carriage or Load of the Commodities under-mentioned the Rates hereafter following, and shall not exceed the same upon pain to be strictly punished and proceeded against for every Offence to the contrary, That is to say,

From any the Wharfs between the Tower and London-bridge to Tower-street, Grace-Church-street, Fen-church-street, Bishopsgate-street within, Corn-Hill, and places of like distance up the Hill, with eighteen hundred weight, not exceeding Twenty hundred Weight, Two Shillings two Pence.

And being above Twenty hundred weight, Two pence for every Hundred.

Provided the Car-men for this Rate and all other Rates herein contained, do help to load and unload their Carrs.

In which may be included

Two Puncheons of Prunes, two Bales of Mather, twenty Barrells of Figgs, two Fats of Fustians, six ordinary Sacks of Cotton-woolls of Smyrna, and three Cyprus Bags, a Butt of Currans, a great Butt of Oyls, three Chests of Sugar, eight Bags of Alums, one Last of Flax, one Last of Hemp, and any other Goods herein not named of the like Weight; for every Load Two Shillings two Pence.

And for Sea-coals the Load Fourteen Pence, every Load to be half a Chaldron; and for one hundred Faggots the like Rate.

And from any the Wharfs aforesaid to Broad-street, Lothbury, Old-Jury, Bassishaw, Coleman-street, Ironmonger-Lane, St. Laurence-Lane, Milk-street, Aldermanbury, Cheap-side, Wood-street, Friday-street, Bread-street, and places of like distance, for the like weight of Eighteen hundred, not exceeding Twenty hundred weight, for the Goods aforesaid, and other Goods herein not named of the like Weight; for every Load Two Shillings Six Pence.

And being above twenty Hundred Weight, upon every Hundred Two Pence.

And for Sea-coals, the Load Sixteen Pence, every Load to be half a Chaldron; and for one hundred Faggots the like Rate.

Also from any the wharfs aforesaid to Smithfield-Barrs; Holborn-Barrs, Temple-Barr, or any of the Barrs on the North-side of the City, and places of like distance up the Hill, with eighteen Hundred Weight, not exceeding twenty Hundred Weight; for every Load three Shillings four Pence.

And going beyond the said places, the Parties to agree with the Carr-men.

Also from any the wharfs aforesaid to Tower-street, Bishops-gate-street within, Corn-Hill, and other places of like distance up the Hill, with fourteen Hundred Weight, not exceeding eighteen Hundred Weight; Two and Twenty Pence.

In which may be included,

Twenty Pieces of Raisins, a Load of Raisins of the Sun, six Bags of Pepper, six ordinary Bags of Galls, three great Bags of Galls, six Bales and Barrels of Indico, six Bales of Grogram Yarn, six Bales of Turkey Silk, five Hogsbheads of Cloves, four Bales of Calicoes, three Hogsbheads of Wines, two Chests of Sugar or any other Goods of the like weight, five Hogsbheads of Tobacco, not exceeding eighteen hundred weight, Two and twenty Pence.

Also from any the wharfs aforesaid to Broad-street, Lothbury, Old-Jury, Bassishaw, Coleman-street, Ironmonger-Lane, St. Laurence-Lane, Milk-street, Aldermanbury, Cheap-side, Wood-street, Friday-street, Bread-street, and places of the like distance, for any of the said Goods of the same quantity and weight, for every Load, Two Shillings.

Also from any the wharfs aforesaid to Tower-street, Grace-Church-street, Fen-Church-street, Bishops-gate-street within, Corn-Hill, and other places of like distance up the Hill, with eight hundred weight, not exceeding fourteen hundred weight, Eighteen Pence.

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All Butts and Pipes of Wine, or a Pipe of Oyl, Packs of Canvas, two Hogsbheads or three Tierces, a Fat of Fustians, and all other Goods of the like bulk and weight, for every Load Eighteen Pence.

And from any the Wharfs aforesaid to Broad-street, Lothbury, Old-Jury, Bassishaw, Coleman-street, Ironmonger-Lane, St. Laurence-Lane, Milk-street, Aldermanbury, Cheap-side, Wood-street, Friday-street, and other places of like distance, for any other Goods of like load or weight, for every Load, Twenty Pence.

Also from London-Bridge foot west-ward to the Old-Swan, Cole-Harbor, the Three-Cranes, Queen-hith, Broken-Wharf, Pauls-Wharf, Puddle-Wharf, the Wardrobe, and to all other places not exceeding the Poultry, Cheap-side, or Newgate-Market, for thirteen hundred weight, not exceeding eighteen hundred weight; Two and twenty pence.

And for every Load of Sea-coals, fourteen Pence; every Load to be half a Chaldron; and one hundred Faggots the like Rate.

And from all other Wharfs and places between London-Bridge and Temple-Barr to the same and places of like distance, for every Load of Coals, fourteen Pence, every Load to be half a Chaldron; and an hundred of Faggots the like Rate.

And to all the places Northward of the Poultry, Cheap-side, Newgate-Market, Holborn-Bridge and Fleet-street, for fourteen hundred weight, not exceeding eighteen hundred weight; Two Shillings two Pence.

And from Tower-street, Grace-church-street, Fen-church-street, Bishopsgate-street within, Corn-Hill, and other places of like distance, for every Pack of twenty Cloths, for six Bales of Cloths and Kerseys, six Bales of Pepper, six Barrels of Indico, five Hogsbheads of Cloves, and for other Goods not
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herein mentioned, of like weight, to the water-side, Sixteen Pence.

And from Broad-street, Lothbury, Old-Jury, Baffishaw, Coleman-street, Ironmonger-Lane, St. Laurence-Lane, Milk-street, Aldermanbury, Cheap-side, Wood-street, Friday-street, Bread-street, and other places of like distance to the water-side for the like weight, Twenty Pence.

And for places nearer or of less distance, the Parties hiring and to be hired, are to make Agreement answerably or proportionably to the Rates before-mentioned.

And if any Car-man shall take for his Labour and Hire, above the Rates before limited and appointed, and the same be duly proved by the testimony of one or more credible witness or witnesses before the Lord Mayor, or any two of His Majesties Justices of the Peace or otherwise within the City of London, such Car-man shall suffer Imprisonment by the space of one and twenty days without Bail or Mainprise, according to the Statute in this behalf, and shall undergo such further Pains and Penalties as by the Law may be inflicted for the said Offence.

And to the end that all Car-men may be encouraged duly to observe the several Orders and Rates herein before limited and appointed; It is further Ordered, That if any Merchant, Tradesman, or others, shall at any time hereafter refuse to pay to any Car-man or Car-men his and their Hire or wages, according to the several Rates herein before Ordered and appointed, that then it shall be lawful: And it is hereby Ordered, That such Car-man and Car-men do make his and their Complaint to the President of Christs Hospital, for the time being, or to any of His Majesties Justices of the Peace within the said City of London, who are hereby desired to compel the Payment of such Hire and Wages, and to enforce the due observance of all and every the Orders above-mentioned, according to Law and Justice.

And

And it is further Ordered, That it shall be free for all Merchants and others, that have occasion to use Cars or Carts, to chuse what Cars he or they shall please, except such as stand for wharf-work, Tackle-work, Crane-work, Shops and Merchants Houses, which are to stand in order, and be taken in turn.

Also, That any Carman, who stands with his empty Car next to any Goods that are to be Loaden, shall on the first demand Load the same, without any delay, or bargaining for any other Wages than before is limited, and the Owners of the Goods so carried shall pay the same Rates.

Farther, It is Ordered, That if any Merchant or other person whatsoever, shall cause any Car-man to stay or attend at his House, Shop, Ware-house, or Cellar, with his loaden Car, above half an hour before he unloads, such Car-man being willing to help to unload the same, such Merchants or others shall pay such Car-men after the rate of twelve Pence an Hour, after the said first half Hour for his Attendance.

And whereas the Rule, Oversight, and Government of the Cars, Carts, Carters, and Car-men, and of all other person or persons whatsoever working any Car or Carts within the City of London and Liberties thereof, by Act of Common-Council of the one and twentieth day of June, 1665. is in the President and Governours of Christs-Hospital; the said President and Governours are desired by this Court forthwith to cause every Car or Cart which shall be licensed to work within the said City and Liberties thereof to be numbred with Figures upon a piece of Brasse to be fixed upon every Car or Cart, and the Car-mans name in such Figures to be fairly Registered in a Book to be kept in Christs-Hospital, there at any time to be seen, to the end that if any Car-man shall not conform to the Rates aforesaid, or shall refuse to carry Goods at such Rates, or shall exact greater Rates or Prices than is afore expressed, the Merchant or any other Citizen or Citizens,

or others, knowing what Figure is upon the Cart, may the more readily find out who is the Worker thereof.

Further, If any Car-man or Carter shall not conform to the Rates aforesaid, or shall refuse to carry Goods for such Rates, or exact greater Rates than herein is appointed, or shall work without the aforesaid piece of Brass fixed upon his Car or Cart, and the same be complained of to the said President and Governours of the said Hospital or any four of them, upon testimony of or for the party grieved, or any credible person on his behalf, they are hereby desired to suspend such person from working any Car or Cart within the City of London and Liberties thereof, until he hath made satisfaction to the party grieved, and fixed the said piece of Brass upon his Car or Cart.

And the said President and Governours, and any four or more of them, are desired by this Court to meet every Tuesday, in Christs-Hospital, at Two of the Clock in the Afternoon, to hear and determin all complaints that shall be made by any Merchant or Citizen against any Car-man whatsoever.

And for prevention of future damages to the Merchants and others, and suppressing of unruly and disorderly Car-men, and for avoiding of danger by unruly Horses, it is thought fit and Ordered by this Court, and the said President and Governours, or any four of them, are hereby desired to nominate and appoint Street-men, such as they shall think fit, to be Overseers of the said Car-men, to see and take care that Merchants and other Citizens Goods be well and faithfully carried and delivered at the Rates and Prizes aforesaid, without any exaction, hindrance or disturbance, and that able persons, none under the age of eighteen years, be employed to manage their Horses or Carts.

And whereas several Differences and Controversies do daily arise between Car-man and Car-man concerning their Work and Labour, to the great disturbance of the Kings Liege People, and to the manifest hindrance and obstruction of the present carriage

carriage of Goods and Merchandizes ; It is further Ordered, That the Wardens of the Fellowship of Car-men for the time being, or any two of them, having notice of such Difference or Disturbance, shall forthwith cause such Car-man, between whom such Difference and controversie shall arise, to be brought before them, who are hereby Ordered and Desired to hear, mediate, and determine the same. And in case any Car-man or Car-men shall at any time hereafter neglect, or obstinately refuse to yield Obedience to such Order and Determination, as shall be by the said Wardens of the said Fellowship of Car-men, or any two of them, made therein ; That then and in every such Case, It is hereby Ordered, That the said Wardens of the said Fellowship of Car-men for the time being, or any two of them, by whom such Order or Determination was made, do cause such Car-man or Car-men to be brought before the President of Christs-Hospital for the time being, or any of His Majesties Justices of the Peace within the said City of London, who are hereby desired to inflict such Punishment upon such disobedient and refractory person and persons, as shall be most agreeable to Law and Justice, or otherwise to cause such person or persons to find Sureties personally to appear at the next General Sessions of the Peace, to be holden for the City of London, at Justice-Hall aforesaid, then and there to answer his and their Disobedience and Contempt, and such other matters, as on His Majesties behalf shall be then and there objected against him or them, and not to depart the Court without Licence.

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Note,

NOte, That all the Persons that live at St. Giles's; St. Katherine's, and other places forth of this City, and keep Carts, are under no regulation, and do not only take away the Car-mens Labour, that are Free-men of London, but come into London with two, three, and sometimes more Horses in their Carts.

The Traders in Fuel within and without this City, pester the Streets with their Carts, take away the Labour of the Car-men, go with as many Horses as they please, and are under no regulation whatsoever, Besides the Stops which Coaches make in the Streets.

If Carts were assigned for the Carriage of Fuel, out of the Number of Four Hundred and Twenty, now allowed by the Governours of Christs-Hospital, no Citizen of London would have cause to complain of the stoppage of the Streets.



